Cumulative Impact Analysis Stakeholder Meeting

MassDEP has scheduled the first stakeholder meeting to seek input on developing new provisions for including cumulative impact analyses (CIA) in certain categories of air quality permits as required by "An Act Creating a Next Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy," which Governor Baker signed into law on March 26, 2021. The Act requires MassDEP "to evaluate and seek public comment on the incorporation of cumulative impact analyses in the assessment and identification of certain categories of permits and approvals." The Act also requires the Secretary of Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) to develop regulations to guide similar cumulative impacts analyses to be conducted as part of environmental impact reports (EIRs) submitted to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) office.

The first stakeholder meeting will cover an overview of the legislation, agency roles, stakeholder engagement process and schedule, and MEPA draft rulemaking presentation and discussion.

MassDEP will hold identical video conference meetings to gather stakeholder input at the times listed below. =Please note that these video conferences will be recorded and made available on MassDEP's YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/c/MassDEP. If you would like to be added to the CIA stakeholder list to receive additional information about cumulative impact analysis, including future stakeholder meeting announcements and instructions for providing input, please enter your information at this link: https://massgov.formstack.com/forms/subscribe_cia.

Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 1:00 – 3:15 pm.

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclc-Cppj0jGdTtkWGQxAjHrMDMXfZzqmmF

Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 6:00 – 8:15 pm.

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https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcucegurjopHdJ5mF66V9L4vS6t9NdVJsyf